

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1-4. (canceled).

5. (currently amended): An image forming system comprising:

a~~An~~ image-forming apparatus; and

a toner; wherein:

the image-forming apparatus comprises ~~comprising~~ an oil-less fixing unit

comprising a main heating member and a pressing member; ~~and~~

~~a toner;~~

~~wherein~~ the toner has an initial relaxation modulus $G(t=0.01)$ (Pa) at 120°C, in relaxation time of 0.01 (sec), of $G(t=0.01)$ [Pa] $\geq 1.0 \times 10^5$ [Pa]; and a ratio of $G(t=0.01)$ (Pa) to $G(t=0.1)$ (Pa) at 180°C, in relaxation time of 0.1 sec, of $[G(t=0.01)/G(t=0.1)] \geq 20$;

the main heating member is in contact with the side of a recording medium opposite to the side on which the toner is provided to fix the toner at a nip part of the main heating member and the pressing member; and

the main heating member and the pressing member define a boundary surface thereof, and the boundary surface takes a configuration protruding toward the side of the main heating member.

6. (previously presented): The image-forming apparatus according to claim 5, wherein the toner contains a release agent in an amount of 3 wt.% or less.

7. (currently amended): An image forming system comprising:

Aan image-forming apparatus; and

a toner; wherein:

the image forming apparatus comprises~~comprising~~ an oil-less fixing unit

comprising a main heating member and a pressing member; ~~and~~

~~a toner;~~

~~wherein~~ the toner has an initial relaxation modulus $G(t=0.01)$ (Pa) at 120°C, in relaxation time of 0.01 (sec), of $G(t=0.01)$ [Pa] $\geq 1.0 \times 10^5$ [Pa]; and a initial relaxation modulus $G(t=0.01)$ (Pa) at 180°C, in relaxation time of 0.01 (sec), of $G(t=0.01)$ [Pa] $\geq 1.0 \times 10^4$ [Pa];

the main heating member is in contact with the side of a recording medium opposite to the side on which the toner is provided to fix the toner at a nip part of the main heating member and the pressing member; and

the main heating member and the pressing member define a boundary surface thereof, and the boundary surface takes a configuration protruding toward the side of the main pressing member.

8. (previously presented): The image-forming apparatus according to claim 7, wherein the toner contains a release agent in an amount of 3 wt.% or less.